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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated July 20, 2000, Applicant hereby restricts prosecution of this application to the invention recited in Group I, Claims 1-25, drawn to a semiconductor device structure.

If the Examiner believes that an interview would facilitate the prosecution of this case, Applicants urge the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any insufficient fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to deposit account no. 22-0185.

Respectfully submitted,

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